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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Docket No. 00-468)

In re the Application of:

Anoop Tripathi

Serial No.: 09/685,286

Filed: October 10, 2000

For: System and Method for Providing Fault  
Tolerance in a Network Telephony  
System

Group Art Unit: 2665

Examiner: Daniel J. Ryman

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application,

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- a) Response to Office Action Mailed September 27, 2004;
- b) Form PTO-1449; and
- b) Return Receipt Postcard.

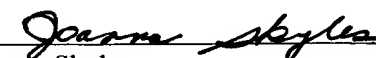
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Date: December 27, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

  
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